

PUBLIC NOTICE OF PROPOSED ACTION

The Administrator, Division of Environmental Protection, Carson City, Nevada is issuing the following notice of proposed action under the Nevada Revised Statutes.

The Administrator has received a complete application for renewal of water pollution control discharge permit No. NEV98011 from the following applicant:

El Dorado Energy, L.L.C.
P. O. Box 62470
Boulder City, Nevada 89006-2470

El Dorado Energy, L.L.C. operates the El Dorado Energy Project Power Plant located in EL Dorado Valley, at 701 El Dorado Valley Drive, 16 miles southwest of Boulder City, Nevada. El Dorado Energy, L.L.C. has applied for renewal of the permit to discharge the power plant generated wastestreams to lined evaporation ponds. The proposed permit will be for a period of (5) five years.

On the basis of preliminary review of the requirements of the Nevada Revised Statutes (NRS) and implementing regulations, the Administrator proposes to issue a permit to discharge, subject to certain effluent limitations and special conditions.

Persons wishing to comment upon or object to the proposed determinations by the Administrator regarding permit issuance or request a hearing pursuant to the Nevada Administrative Code, Water Pollution Control should submit their comments or request, in writing, within thirty (30) days of the date of newspaper publication, by August 18, 2003, either in person or by mail or FAX at 775.687.4684 to:

Department of Conservation and Natural Resources
Division of Environmental Protection
Bureau of Water Pollution Control
333 West Nye Lane
Carson City, Nevada 89706-0851

The request must be filed within the comment period and must indicate the interest of the person filing the request and the reasons why a hearing is warranted. All comments or objections received within thirty (30) days will be considered in the formulation of final determinations regarding the application. If written comments indicate a significant degree of public interest in the proposed permit, the Administrator shall hold a public hearing. A public notice of such hearing will be issued not less than thirty (30) days prior to the hearing date.

If no hearing is held and the determinations of the Administrator are substantially changed from the tentative determinations, the Administrator will give public notice of the revised determinations. Additional comments and objections will be considered at that time.

The application, proposed permit, comments received, and other information are on file and may be copied or copies may be obtained by writing to the above address or by calling Icyll Mulligan of the Bureau of Water Pollution Control at 775.687.9432.

Please bring the foregoing notice to the attention of all persons whom you know would be interested in this matter.